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SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Sir, in view of the fact that South India is vitally interested will the Hon. Minister impress upon the Government of India the desirability of consulting this Government before taking any step? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" We have been moving whenever things have to be made clear."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Even without consultation have this Government written of their own accord to the Government of India? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Yes, Sir."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, if the resolution of the Legislative Assembly has been brought to the notice of the Government of India? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Yes. It has been duly communicated to the Government of India."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Will the Council be given an opportunity to discuss this resolution? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" It is open to the hon. Member to table a motion, Sir."

Economic development of Rayalaseema.

* 60 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Development Commissioner for the Ceded districts has submitted his report;

(*b*) what the Commissioner's main recommendations are ; and

(*c*) when the Government hope to give effect to his recommendations?

THE HON. SRI SITARAMA REDDI :—" (*a*) A Development Commissioner was appointed to prepare a co-ordinated plan for the economic development of Rayalaseema and he has submitted his report.

" (*b*) & (*c*) The recommendations are under the consideration of Government and will be published along with the Government's decisions."

Payment of dearness allowance by local bodies, etc.

* 61 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state what steps the Government propose to take to ensure payment of dearness allowance at rates allowed to Government servants in educational institutions maintained by (*a*) local bodies and (*b*) aided managements?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR :—" In the case of elementary schools under local bodies, the Government have undertaken to sanction a subsidy towards the deficit arising out of the expenditure on dearness